WORKGROUP: NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

STRATEGIC ISSUE:
1. Identifying and leveraging resources for holistic community revitalization.

INITIAL RECOMMENDATION(S):
1. Pursue additional partners/non-traditional resources, including banks, DDAs, local EDCs, local neighborhood institutional partners (e.g., hospitals and universities)   2. Communicate clear criteria for using of limited state/federal resources in targeted communities/neighborhoods; select neighborhoods which: • Maximize growth potential and community impact (i.e., neighborhoods of strategic local importance.   • Strengthen urban core communities and traditional downtowns.   • Communities with clear objectives and the capacity measure results.

STRATEGIC ISSUE:
2. Creating economically and racially integrated neighborhoods.

INITIAL RECOMMENDATION(S):
1. Identify incentives that can be used to promote market-rate investment in "tipping-point" urban neighborhoods, such as Neighborhood Enterprise Zones, Brownfield SBT Credits and TIFs, etc., and align with local redevelopment strategies.   2. Identify sources to promote employer assisted housing without income restrictions.   3. Strengthen equal housing opportunities through such strategies as requiring "fair-share" inclusion of affordable housing units in every development and developing tools to promote mixed income housing developments.

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STRATEGIC ISSUE:
3. Aligning local and state resources and incentives to facilitate redevelopment.

INITIAL RECOMMENDATION(S):
1. Maximize integration of resources with other development incentives such as Downtown CDBG, Michigan Main Street, Downtown Blueprints, and Neighborhood Blueprints & Cool Cities.   2. Prioritize funding for communities that demonstrate capacity to facilitate redevelopment (comprehensive planning, efficient land assembly and site clean-up and preparation activities, expedited permitting, etc.).